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Applicant:	Minoru MATSUDA et al.	Conf.:	7407
Appl. No.:	09/987,617	Group:	3748
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For:	VALVE SYSTEM FOR OHV-TYPE FOUR-CYCLE INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE		

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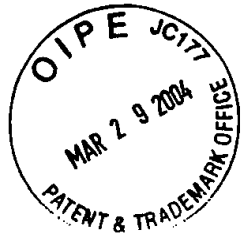
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In reply to the Office Action dated December 31, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

The present Amendment includes an Amended Claim Set and Remarks.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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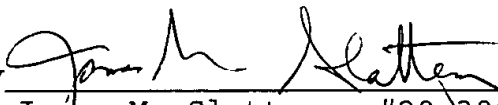
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- ☐ No fee is required.
- ☒ Check(s) in the amount of \$180.00 is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.


If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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